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## **INFORMATION PAPER**

SUBJECT: Support to the State Department of Transportation, Highways Division, Kauai, Hawaii

- 1. Purpose: To provide information on the subject project.
- 2. Points of Major Interest and Facts.
- a. The State of Hawaii, Department of Transportation (DOT), Highways Division is currently utilizing the services of the Honolulu District to execute designs, engineering studies, and construction support services. Since FY97 under authorities granted by the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act and the Economy Act, the Honolulu District (POH) has been supporting DOT with acquisition of Architect-Engineer (A-E) contracts for these services.
- b. Design projects include: resurfacing; streetlights; traffic control lights; modifications to bridges; maintenance repairs to highway structures; and slope protection systems. Engineering studies and surveys includes: structural inspection of bridges; underwater inspection of bridges; inventory of streetlights; and mapping and inventory of highway assets. In FY99, DOT began requesting A-E support services for construction management to supplement DOT in-house personnel. Based on DOT policies for retaining State funds, Corps support is expected to be reduced significantly in the future.
- c. For Kauai, the District's support to DOT includes resurfacing design projects, a project for the planning of a new scenic lookout for Hanalei Valley and Wildlife Refuge, and construction management support services by A-E contracts. The Honolulu District also assisted an A-E design contract awarded by DOT with its in-house expertise, identifying wetlands that will be impacted by the Kaumualii Highway improvement project. Summary of Kauai DOT projects that POH is providing assistance:

<u>FY</u>	No. of Projects	Funded Amount
99	9	\$ 983 K
00	5	\$ 1,348 K
01	0	
02	1	\$ 200K

3. Congressional Interest. There is minimal Congressional interest in this program, at this time.